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Provincial Government of Sachsen-Anhalt Minister of the Interior

In spite of repeated requests that the activity of the purging committees (Sauberungsausschüsse) be begun immediately and examinations be conducted of those Nazis still employed in the government and economy, trade, business, and in the professions, it is nevertheless noticeable that my wishes have not been regarded. At the end of the first quarter of 1947 no actual changes in the personnel situation, insofar as Nazis and militarists are concerned, could be observed. This condition is unbearable and cannot be tolerated.

Again I beg all town and county councillors to take steps in order that the denazification committees work more intensively and bring their activities to a close as soon as possible.

Even the submission of the regular reports leaves something to be desired. I should like to point out once more that town and county councillors must see to it that a report on the activity of the purging committees be turned in every ten days. As here-tofore, Directive 24 is the basis for denazification. Changes which are made will be published in appropriate ordinances.

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